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For: COMBINATION TAPE MEASURE AND  
RANGE FINDER

Examiner: I. J. Lobo

### AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 8, 2004, please consider the following remarks and the enclosed affidavit of the inventor. The affidavit includes Exhibits A and B.

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.**